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A copy of each reference listed on the attached Form PTO/SB08A is included herewith. An English Abstract is also provided for German reference DE 3932277. The Abstract provides a concise explanation of the relevance of this reference. Consideration and entry into the record of these references is respectfully requested.



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